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THE following Piece, printed in Spanish, has been dispers'd in the Parts of Spain bordering on the Principality of Catalonia, by Order of his Catholick Majesty King Charles III.

Reflections on the true Interest of the Spaniards in the present Juncture.

THE Motives that induc'd the Spaniards to acquiesce with the Advancement of a Prince of the House of Bourbon to the Throne of their Monarchy, were *Fear* and *Hope*.

Their *Fear* was not occasion'd so much by the Threats of France to enter the Dominions of Spain with formidable Armies, as by the Treaties the most Christian King had made in the Life-Time of Charles II. with England and Holland for dismembring the Spanish Monarchy.

Hope made them look upon the most Christian King as the only Prince, who by his Arms and Treasure, could keep their Monarchy intire and safe; which was what the Nation judg'd most desirable and most advantageous for them. This all the People of the Dominions of Spain will acknowledge to be true.

We would likewise ask them whither it be not true that they verily believ'd the Emperor could not prevent the dismembring of their Monarchy, both because of his Distance from them, and because of other Difficulties in which his Imperial Majesty was at that Time involv'd. We will own, that they then reason'd by the Rules of true Policy, and that the Resolution they took was in all Appearance conformable to their Interest. But all Europe is now astonish'd to see them persist in a Maxim that has no longer any Foundation: 'Tis amazing the Spaniards should not now bestir themselves to amend what the Course and Issue of things shews to have been an Error. The numerous Forces of the Allies, and the Success God has given them, ought to be a sufficient Demonstration to them that their former Maxim does no longer exist.

Whatever great Opinion they might entertain of the Power of the most Christian King, they are too clear-sighted not to see that if they do not make Haste to throw off the Yoke of France, their Monarchy will undergo that Dismembring they would avoid. Can they be ignorant, that the Court of France finding it impossible to keep the whole, have for 2 Years press'd the Allies to come to a Partition; and that they use even the most abject Means to obtain Peace on that Condition. This is known to all Europe. Besides, supposing France were able to maintain the Monarchy intire, 'tis most certain that impious Crown would continue to bring Spain more and more under its arbitrary Government, and fill up the Measure of the Slavery the Nation has already tasted.

All good Spaniards that love their Country, are convinc'd, that the only Means to save the Monarchy is to declare for King Charles III, who by their so doing and by the Assistance of the Allies would be enabled to restore the Crown to its ancient Lustre:

Whereas the present Union of Spain with France can have no other Issue at best than an ignominious Dismembring. We shall now see therefore, whether the Spaniards will procure their solid Happyness, or have the Meanness of Soul to renounce it for ever. The Court of France lose no Time, they earnestly seek a Partition, well knowing they can obtain Peace no other Way: And the Spaniards ought very much to fear, lest the Allies should at length yield to the Sollicitations of France, being tir'd with the War they maintain at so great Expence of Blood and Treasure, and fill'd with Indignation to see the Spaniards whom they invite to embrace their true Happyness, sit still and be regardless of a thing of the utmost Importance to them, even of the only thing that can save them. Will so wise and brave a Nation be through Sloth and Stupidity the Cause of their own Ruine?

Is it possible for a Nation naturally so prudent, not to see, that by letting slip the most favourable Opportunity Heaven can offer them, they plunge themselves for ever into the most wretched Slavery, and subject their Posterity to be govern'd like France? Let Spain consider its present State, and judge of the future by the present. Who could believe that in the most dangerous Juncture of Affairs Spain was perhaps ever in, so many Spaniards should lye in a profound Lethargy, while a great Number of others fatally give into the pernicious Maxims of France?

The Courage and Conduct of the Catalonians deserve immortal Glory. If the rest of the People of Spain do not imitate them, they are irrecoverably lost. Right Reason and natural Right oblige them to endeavour with all their Power to preserve the Liberties, Privileges, and other Advantages of their several Provinces: For if King Charles III should subdue Spain by Force, (and he seems to bid very fair for it,) he will have a Right to treat all the Kingdoms and Provinces that resist him as conquer'd Territories. Does not France exercise arbitrary Power over the whole Monarchy, without having conquer'd it?

All that has been said being so palpably evident, what is to be thought of those Spaniards that actually bear Arms to fasten the Chains and fix the Slavery their Country labours under? They can have nothing in View but a sordid private Interest; yet that Interest will turn to their Shame, and mark them out for unnatural Betrayers of their own Country.

Those Spaniards bearing Arms for the Duke of Anjou will alledge perhaps that they are under an Oath of Fidelity to him. But, that Prince engag'd on his Part to protect the People and maintain their Liberties, and does quite the Contrary: Now, did those People swear to be Slaves? did they bind themselves by Oath to consent that their Monarchy should be dismembred and ruin'd? No certainly. Yet that is come to be the Case; and therefore their Oath is void. It may be affirm'd further, that the moral certainty of the Impossibility of avoiding those Evils, not only discharges the People from their Oath, but obliges them before God and Men to take all Measures imaginable for their own Preservation:

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This is a fundamental Obligation that annuls all other Duty, in the Case before us. *Salus Populi Lex est Suprema*, in all Nations; and none but Idiots or Madmen ever doubted it.

Have the Subjects of the Spanish Monarchy soon forgot the Lenity of the Government of the House of Austria? Are they on a sudden become so stupid as to suffer patiently the Yoke of the Court of France who put none but their Creatures and Partisans into the Spanish Ministry; who rob them of the noblest and richest Trade in the World; who transport to their own Coffers all their Wealth and Treasure; who trample under Foot all their Laws and Privileges; who as soon as the Duke of Anjou was advanced to the Throne, seized the Spanish Netherlands; who carry away the Grandees without the least Formality of Law; who have possessed themselves of the Frontier of Spain, having put French Garrisons into Fontarabia, St. Sebastian and other Places; who shew no Respect for Persons in holy Orders; no Regard for the Grandees; no Equity to the common People; in short, who by many notoriously unjust Proceedings are driving the Spaniards into the Condition of Frenchmen.

In the mean Time the Spaniards have it in their Power to break their Chains, to reestablish their Monarchy in its ancient Form of Government, to preserve it whole and intire, to be possessed of the Offices and Employments in it, to recover their Rights and ancient Liberties, to revive their former Glory, and to be subject to none but themselves under a good Master. It is their own Fault if they do not free themselves from all their present Calamities, and prevent greater. This may be done without Danger or Hazard, they need only second, but it must be speedily, the just and favourable Intentions of their rightful King Charles III, and of his most potent Allies.

Portsmouth, March 2. This Evening sail'd for Barcelona Her Majesty's Ships the Dorsetshire, having on board the Count de Noyelles, and the Cumberland, and under their Convoy 5 Transports, with 2 Ships for the West-Indies and 2 for Lisbon. This Day sail'd from the Downes Her Majesty's Ship the Nottingham and Chatham, and under their Convoy several Merchant Ships and Coasters.

For the Benefit of Mr. Estcourt,

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Tuesday, being the 5th of March, will be revived a Play, call'd, The Tempest; or, the Enchanted Island. With a Masque compos'd by the late Mr. Henry Purcell, and perform'd by Mr. Leveridge, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Ramondson, Mrs. Lindsey, and the Boy: And Dancing by Monsieur du Ruel, Monsieur Cherrier, and Mrs. du Ruel, also by Mrs. Santlow, being the Second time of her Appearance on the Stage. The part of Trincalo to be perform'd by Mr. Estcourt: With a new Epilogue (by Trincalo) to the Brothers of the Bottle.

AT the Queen's Theatre in the Hay-Market, this present Tuesday, being the 5th of March, will be presented a new Opera, call'd, The British Enchanters; or, No Magic like Love.

These Plays are Sold by J. Knapton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, and B. Lintott Next Nando's Coffee-House, Temple-Bar.

An Entertainment by Mr. CLINCH OF BARNET who imitates the Flute, Double Currell, the Organ with 3 Voices, the Horn, Huntsman and Pack of Hounds, the Sham Doctor, the Old Woman, the Drunken Man, the Bells: All Instruments are perform'd by his natural Voice: To which is added a Comical Dance. To be seen this present Evening, at 7 a Clock at the Blue-Posts Tavern in the Hay-Market. Price 1s.

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The Directors for the Perpetual Assurance-Office do hereby give notice that they intend to meet at Mr. Hartley's, a Bookseller, over against St. Dunstan's-Church in Fleetstreet, on Thursday the 28th Instant, to approve of Members, and in order to give out Policies, intending that every Members Policy and his Interest in that Society shall commence from the 25th of this present March. Subscriptions are taken, and Proposals at large given gratis at the aforesaid Mr. Hartley's, and at all the other Places mention'd in the Proposals.

In a House in Stanhope-Court near Charing-Cross, formerly the Dwelling House of Mrs. Troth Walkendon, on Thursday next, being the 7th Instant, will be sold the Household Goods of the said Troth Walkendon, consisting in Bedding, Screers, Looking-Glasses, Stow-Grates, Pewter and Bras, Linnen, Plate, and Wearing Apparel, the Sale to begin on Thursday at Nine a Clock, and to continue till all be sold: And whereas some Goods were left in Pawn with her, the Persons that can prove the Property of what belongs to them, are desired to come and pay the Money, Interest and Charges thereon, or otherwise they will be sold with the other Goods.

At Grigsby's Coffee-House in Thread-needle-street near the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 6th of March, will be sold by Auction the Library of the Reverend Mr. Samuel Standcliffe lately deceased, being a Collection of very valuable Books in Greek, Latin and English, neatly bound and good Editions, among which is Biblia Polyglotta, Poly Synopsis, 5 Vol. new; Calvini Opera Amstelod. &c. Catalogues to be had at Mr. Wotton's at the 3 Daggers in Fleetstreet, M. Knapton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, Mr. Lawrence at the Angel in the Poultry, Mr. Parker under the Royal Exchange, Mr. Ballard's at the Rising-Sun in Little-Britain, Hamlin's and other Coffee-Houses about the Exchange, and at the Place of Sale.

This Day at the Temple-Change Coffee-House in Fleetstreet will begin the Sale by Auction of the valuable English Books contain'd in Dr. Harrison's Library, among which are Lord Clarendon's History, in 3 Vol. Shakespear's Plays, Beaumont's, Fletcher's and Ben Johnson's, Purcha's Pilgrims, compleat, Baker's Chronicle, Dugdale's Barronage, Burnet's History of the Reformation, &c. Catalogues may be had of Mr. Curl at the Peacock without Temple-Bar, and at the Place of Sale.

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